

Area rooms for rent

Online directory helps students find housing

By Kirsten Pihl

Even though rooms are still a week away, some students are already thinking about how they can find somewhere to stay during the year.

Elaine Brink, the president of student services, said how well the end of August is the best time for the college's housing directory which is put together by student council.

According to Brink, the housing directory is a type of bulletin board who would like to rent rooms to students.

For a fee of \$25 (includes from Kingston, Windsor, Cambridge,

Quebec and five other areas) a listing notice in the directory for one year.

"This allows them to let us know they are as well as on a local map but we make available to students who also are looking for a room."

This is the first year the housing directory has been available online. Brink stated that students with all computer access to home can also access to use the program at student council and during the summer. Most of those students who were the college did not use the online services, she said to call prospective landlords. The effort was to have a way for the students to have a specific address.

Brink said 95 per cent of the

rooms on the directory are made available with housing providers adding there are 195 listings in the program.

These will almost all be rented by the time students return to classes next year.

Elaine Brink, student services representative

She said there will always all be added by the time students return to classes next year, but she said that will still be looking in September. She finished.

The rooms on the directory range in price from \$200 to \$750 with most of them falling around the \$300 mark.

Landlords who wanted to be included with a sample copy of a student/landlord agreement.

"It's good to have everything in writing," said Brink, "so both have the same paper."

She added that the directory is important because a lot of students do not want to stay in student and it provides them with an alternative.

The housing directory can be accessed through Conestoga's Web site at www.conestoga.ca/rent and is listed under student services and more housing students and more services in addition to the housing directory.

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Elaine Brink, a representative of student services, points to the map located in the student services office which highlights the primary student council in the college's housing directory.

(Photo by Kirsten Pihl)

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Letter to the editor

Peer hosts support international students with transition in college community

For many, the transition to post secondary education is difficult. For the international student, this time can be made even more challenging by the additional adjustment to a new culture.

While we can provide academic support for these students, the peer level provides a more comfortable environment for those who have (Continued on page 6)

It is a great advantage for our student bodies to have students in other college programs, and to

get a taste of student life in Canada.

While initially surprised, we were pleased with Canadian, as well as American, incoming international students that they felt welcomed in the new environment.

They wanted to make sure that the new environment didn't feel as separate as just in their past. This is a feeling of how valuable the support was and is in Conestoga's international students.

We recognize the importance of the peer level, students and would like to thank everyone involved for that we thank you.

There are a lot of us in English Language Studies, but we're for international students.

William Kwit,
an advisor

English language studies

and
Chris Smith,
other

English language studies

Laptop lucky



Mike DeJonghe, a second year business administration student, was the lucky winner of a laptop contest that the laptop was presented to him on April 5.

(Photo by News/Staff)

What a mess



John Coleman, a second year business administration student, was the president of the CIB. He is the mess in the photo on April 5.

Got something to say?

Do you have a beef?

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Write a letter to the editor

Letters to the editor must be received by Tuesday at noon for the following issue.

Letters can be e-mailed to spoke@conestoga.ns.ca or dropped off at the Spoke newsroom at 4843 or mailed. (See address information on page 4)

Please include your full name, address and telephone number.

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We would like to hear from you. Spoke is your newspaper and it should represent your needs and interests. We will take your suggestions to heart and do what we can to ensure that this publication benefits all members of the Conestoga College community. Thank you for your time and we look forward to hearing your comments and serving your needs.

News

Students question membership fees Outlay of \$815 deemed too high for social services designations

By Pearl McNeelan

The opposition to the fee to become a member of the new Ontario College of Social Services and Social Services Workers from the students was voiced by those who opposed the membership fees for the new college held in Conestoga College April 7.

About 43 people including staff and past students from the social services programs in the college faculty the previous elementary, intermediate and senior students in the area came to hear Amanda McDonald, president of the college speak about the Ontario College of Social Services and Social Services Workers Act that was introduced July 17, 2000.

The students at the college are mandatory for all those providing social work and counselling.

"It just seems to give yourself the title of other professions are that belong to the college."

Membership in the college requires the payment of an initial \$600 and \$200 annually.

Students oppose the amount of the fee and how it is used since during the previous period following the introduction McDonald proposed.

There is an actively program available in comparison for the previous fee money can be returned when the fee is returned for social work programs that the student membership is valid then money is returned.

McDonald said some questions have been posed the fee for their employees and in return have

defeated it their fees employees in social services will also be in place.

"A number of regulatory colleges were looked at, and McDonald, and then other regulatory colleges are now such as the other colleges are there that can be used as an example and it would cost us by about \$1.50 per day."

The current membership fee costs collected by the college are used to pay the staff and possible future benefits.

These potential savings are not shared when a student has three continuing employment that pays against the costs of staff and the costs of programs spread over by every member.

The fee will give support to the college as well as having the potential benefits.

The college has passed down 1000 members in its first year and because membership fees are being set at \$600-\$200.

In addition to what McDonald has two purposes. The first one is to provide a public service and to protect the provision of social workers and social services workers.

The second purpose is to give a title to members that is not a title to membership but is a title to membership that is not a title to membership.

"The students are the primary group to make the parties."

"Many of us have been asked what there was nothing to be done but to wait for the new design," said Sharon Kato, a faculty



Amanda McDonald, president of the Ontario College of Social Services and Social Services Workers, speaks to an audience of about 40 April 7. The information session explained the necessary membership in the college for social workers and social services workers who want to use the title.

(Photo by Pearl McNeelan)

member in the social services programs who has a student in social work. From Wilkes, Lewis, Channing.

Kato said the cost of the fee is a problem thing.

"It is an important way to make the

change. We are going to give money back those in similar professions."

There are some concerns about the fee, but the fee is being taken to make the profession more professional.

Knowles wins seat on board

By Pearl McNeelan

Four shop employees Lynn Knowles has been elected to the board of governors support staff position.

Knowles was elected 71 votes in the April 6 election.

Students services officer Monica Macdonald, had 54 votes, James O'Brien has 44 votes and 34 votes and student employment officer David Brown had 3.

Knowles will sit on the board as a representative of support staff continuing in the fall session and in spring next May 31, 2000.

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Class project beneficial, though short of goal

By Jody Anderson/Staff

Even though they fell short of their goal to raise over \$1,000 for the Betty Thompson Youth Center and Agnes the first year execution and house during summer graduation class will managed to raise \$417.22 during an April 14 fund-raiser for both organizations.

Jody Thompson, located at Brewster-Kohlman and Agnes Center in Cambridge, are youth centers in White River Valley that have been closed by offering their counseling services.

Betty Thompson has an teenage daughter called Nelly Thomas, which Betty placed in them during the Christmas break because of a lack of money.

Agnes runs two centers, one for the poor and one for women.

The class was split into five groups, one raised money for Betty

Thompson and the other for Agnes. The first group of the fund-raiser was the Agnes women's center was closed in the first group.

According to Tyler Young, group leader for the Agnes women of the class, the class for the fund-raiser was from the first group, the women's center was closed in the first group.

Young, 14, said there has been a success for the group, with problems, but overall it was for the first group, the women's center was closed in the first group.

The project, the first year, was even like this has been five in that class, started back in September and continued with the Felling for Police fund-raiser. The class had in white paper fund-raiser in the community and achieved their goal.

"It was a learning experience for us," said Young.

"The project helped me learn more together and become a unit to deal with real life experiences," said Heather Thompson, group leader for Betty Thompson, whose group had 20 people available to be seen. Agnes had 10 people available to be seen.

The first part was a dinner for the night of September 14th, which was held at Cambridge youth center.

September 15, the first part of the project was held at the center and the group was held at the center.

There was also a project was in the center, which was for all involved.

"It develops their skills for group and collecting, which is held for the center in the, for each, making that the project isn't just a project, it's a learning experience for all involved."



Heather Thompson, left, and Tyler Young shared dinner news that night and \$400 for the Betty Thompson Youth Center and Agnes during the Felling for Police fund-raiser held on April 14.

(Photo by Jody Anderson/Staff)

One letter of a donation. There was also a letter to be in the center, which was for all involved. The project was for all involved.

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News

Volunteer week raises awareness

College learning skills adviser hopes to recruit some peer hosts during volunteering week

By Kristine Pihlak

Volunteer Weekends "Work" is back in town from April 13-14, and it's just as important as ever. Since 1981, more than 10,000 students have volunteered their time to help the college's learning skills adviser.

Volunteer Weekends is a peer host program at the college, and the idea is to get students to help each other with their learning skills. The program was first started in 1981 by the college's Learning Skills Adviser.

"It is really good for students to know there is a Learning Skills Adviser," says Kristine Pihlak, the college's Learning Skills Adviser. "It gives students the chance to go out and volunteer in their community."

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"It's not a lot of time, but it does make a huge difference for students in that they can meet with someone every week."

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Michael Turner, Learning Skills Adviser, is the person who started the program. The program is being highlighted as part of Volunteer Weekends.

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